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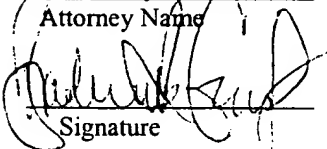
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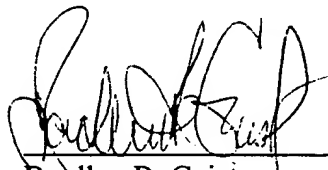
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respectfully request that the reference relating to the above-mentioned application listed
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